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The average daily circulation of the
 Barre Daily Times for the week ending
 Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of
 any daily paper in this section.

Nature is giving us the square deal
 once more.

Of course it is worth while to go to
 the polls next Tuesday.

By next Tuesday we shall be con-
 fronted by a large chore in what to do
 with our ex-candidates for president.

The odds are five to one on Taft in
 New York City now. Wouldn't it be
 odd if they went up to sixteen to one?

There are now only a hundred thou-
 sand idle freight cars in the country,
 against 413,000 last April. Thus does
 the barometer of our industrial progress
 register.

Senator-elect Page chooses a news-
 paper man for his private secretary, and
 Harry C. Shaw, formerly of the Mont-
 pelier Journal, is to be congratulated on
 his good fortune in being selected.

Report comes from the Rutland county
 jail that Elroy Kent is shamming insan-
 ity, so that he can get back to the state
 insane asylum and have an easier chance
 to escape again. If that is a settled
 conviction in Rutland they will know
 best what to do with Kent, which will
 be to keep him right where he is until
 the machinery of the law has done with
 him what can be done.

HEDGEHOGS VS. PARTRIDGES.

Hedgehog legislation, much scoffed at,
 has a new reason for being, or at least so
 they are advancing down in Maine. The
 hedgehog is said to be very fond of par-
 tridge eggs. For a time Maine gave a
 bounty on hedgehogs. Thereafter there
 was an otherwise unexplained increase
 in the number of partridges in the state
 of Maine. Cause and effect, don't you
 see. Less hedgehogs, more partridges.
 But even the touted increase in par-
 tridges was not enough to keep the hedge-
 hog bounty law on the statute books of
 Maine, and once again the crawling crea-
 ture will turn to his work of devouring
 partridge eggs, to the disgust of an oc-
 casional hunter or two.

There is another side to this hedgehog
 bounty business; it is the raid on the
 state treasury. We are not acquainted
 with the underlying cause which induced
 the Maine legislature to remove the
 bounty on hedgehogs, but we suspect
 that it was to preserve the state treas-
 ury from complete disappearance. Least-
 wise, that was Vermont's reason for
 abolishing the bounty on the beast. Ver-
 mont paid out thousands of dollars in a
 few years on bounties, and the demands
 became so increasingly frequent that the
 state treasury was drained like a water
 reservoir built in the quicksand. It
 didn't take the Vermont legislature long,
 when the leak was discovered, to stop
 it up. Thus far, too, the Vermont legis-
 lature has refused to open up the leak
 again, partridges or no partridges. Maine
 is likewise crafty.

MAJOR ABBOTT'S CIVIL WAR DIARY

An interesting contribution to Civil
 war history and a work of great attrac-
 tion because of the personal touch given
 through the association of the writer
 with the events of which he writes, is a
 volume just published by Major Lem-
 uel A. Abbott, United States army, re-
 tired, a gentleman who spends his sum-
 mers in Barre and vicinity. Major Ab-
 bott has been engaged for some time
 in the compilation of a diary which he,
 very fortunately, kept while serving dur-
 ing the latter part of the Civil War. The
 results of his compilation he has pre-
 sented to the public in the shape of a
 neatly-bound, well-printed volume, en-
 titled, "Diary of the Civil War," and
 giving attention specifically to the move-
 ments of the Tenth Vermont troops.
 The book covers that portion of the
 Civil War which has for its most ab-
 sorbing incidents Grant's investment of
 the city of Richmond, Va., and Sheridan's
 battle of Winchester.

The volume opens with the brief daily
 record of the doings of the Union troops
 during the winter of 1864, the diary
 giving one a personal insight into the
 soldier's life of the period. Major Ab-
 bott was then a lieutenant in the de-
 fense of his country. The account works
 up gradually to the re-opening of spring
 and the reawakened military activity,
 portraying the fever of subdued expec-
 tation as the soldiers wait for the un-
 folding of the general's plans, as revealed
 only by their orders to go here, there, or
 anywhere. It tells of heart-breaking
 marches, seemingly to no avail, but un-
 doubtedly as a part of one great plan
 of military strategy. It tells then of the
 actual conflict between the Blue and the
 Gray, the terrible losses of life, the car-
 ing for the wounded and finally the
 wounding of the writer of the Little
 daily chronicle himself and his return
 home on a furlough to recuperate. The
 author lays particular stress on the lat-
 tle of Winchester and in it by additional



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notes he makes refutation of certain pre-
 viously held grounds regarding the con-
 duct of that battle.

The whole makes, as we first stated,
 a work of very great interest, absorbing,
 we may say, to those who were con-
 nected with the stirring events of those
 days and, indeed, to any who have had
 more or less intimate connection with
 the Civil War, while to the youth it
 affords a striking lesson. Locally, the
 volume is attractive because of the
 numerous touches of color added through
 the writer's residence here and former
 association with the people then well
 known here, but the most of whom have
 since passed beyond. Major Abbott has
 made the public indebted to him by thus
 presenting the pictures of the time as
 they appeared to a young soldier.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Hunting License.

It is difficult to understand the op-
 position of the state papers which have
 a large rural clientele to the proposal
 to enact a hunters' license law in Ver-
 mont. I have been a persistent cry of
 the farmers for years that the fish and
 game protective laws were enacted for
 the benefit of the city sportsmen and
 resident hunters and fishermen who
 tramped over the fields and were a nu-
 isance generally and that the man whose
 rights were abused had to help pay for
 the operation of the state fish hatchery
 and salaries of the game wardens.

The hunters' license law is a mea-
 sure that is proposed for the purpose of
 putting a portion, at least, of the ex-
 pense of the fish and game department
 directly upon the men who hunt and
 fish, but instead of meeting with the
 approval of the rural press of the state
 it is being condemned as an attempt to
 take away some of the vested rights of
 the constitution.

This constitution, one of the grandest
 documents ever written, was enacted in
 the days of coonskin caps and deer-
 skin leggings, when fish and game were as
 plentiful and as lightly regarded as the
 trees of the forest that we are now
 trying so hard to preserve, but because
 unrestricted hunting and fishing was
 one of the privileges accorded at this
 time, a good many people in the state

still contend that they have the right
 to shoot anything with hair or feathers
 on it whenever they please.
 A hunters' license of one dollar for
 each season would certainly not entail
 any great financial hardship upon the
 men and boys who go into the woods,
 if the privilege isn't worth that much.
 It is high time that the state gave up
 all efforts to preserve for the present
 and the generations to come the fish
 and game that yet remain.—Bennington
 Banner.

CHELSEA

Clarence E. Simmons spent a portion
 of last week in Brookfield, the guest
 of Edgar Moulton.

Guy Lougee is home from Barre
 City, where he has been at work during
 the summer for Bert Bassett.

Mrs. Walter H. Beckwith spent last
 week in South Royalton the guest of
 her sister, Mrs. Gertrude Smith.

Mrs. Ada Whitney returned the first
 of the week from Barre City, where
 she spent last week visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Kent and two chil-
 dren are in town visiting relatives and
 are stopping at Charles Lyons, on the
 Vershire road.

Mrs. Marcellus C. Allen is entertain-
 ing her niece, Mrs. C. L. Hoffman, and
 her son of Iowa City, Iowa, who ar-
 rived last week.

Mrs. Ellen Seales has returned from
 a visit to her daughter, Miss Mary
 Seales, of Montpelier, and on her way
 home visited friends in Williamstown a
 few days.

Mrs. Harry O. Flint returned the first
 of the week from Williamstown, where
 she had been the guest of Mr. and
 Mrs. Frank H. Martin, Mrs. Flint was
 accompanied by her two daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman D. Parkhurst
 have recently returned from a visit of
 nearly two weeks to their son, Rolla
 E. Parkhurst, who lives in Brattleboro,
 where he is engaged in painting and
 paper hanging.

A daughter was recently born to Mr.
 and Mrs. William A. Dickinson of Cor-
 nish, the same being a grand-daughter
 of Mr. and Mrs. Allen E. Dickinson of
 this place. The parents were for-
 merly residents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown of Ly-
 man, N. H., are in town visiting Mrs.
 F. W. Bixby, Mrs. A. L. Skinner and
 other relatives. Mrs. Brown is the
 daughter of the late Loren W. Bacon.

and will be remembered as Miss Sarah
 Bacon.

It is reported that Arthur E. Bacon,
 who recently sold his farm on the
 Cornish road to New York parties has
 purchased the Elisha G. Lougee farm
 in North Tunbridge. The sale was
 made through the George A. Tracy real
 estate agency.

The directors of the Tyrian club have
 arranged to connect with the New En-
 gland Telephone company, and will get
 the election returns at their rooms
 Tuesday evening, November 3rd. The
 rooms will be open to the members of
 the club and their friends, regardless
 of political affiliations.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cary were in
 Braintree last week visiting the lat-
 ter's parents and sisters. On their way
 they encountered an automobile on a
 narrow hill road and the result was a
 general smash-up for Mr. and Mrs. Cary
 and while the wagon was badly demol-
 ished, they escaped without serious in-
 juries.

EAST BARRE.

A. B. Hutchins and family expect to
 leave next Tuesday for the South to
 spend the winter.

Silver Leaf Circle will meet next
 Monday at the usual time. A large at-
 tendance is desired.

There will be a Halloween dance in
 the opera house hall, Saturday evening,
 October 31. Bill 50 cents per couple.

Kimball Conroy had the misfortune
 to bruise one hand Thursday, neces-
 sitating the taking of a few stitches.
 Dr. Avery dressed the hand.

There will be no preaching service in
 the church here next Sunday on ac-
 count of the illness of the pastor, Rev.
 Mr. Finch. The Sunday school will
 meet as usual and the C. E. meeting at
 the regular time.

BOUGHT BY I. E. GIBSON.

Plant Bennington Gas Co. Sold at Auc-
 tion For \$20,000.

Bennington, Oct. 30.—The plant of
 the Bennington Gas Co., was sold at
 public auction yesterday by the re-
 ceiver, A. K. Ritchie, to I. E. Gibson,
 president of the Bennington County
 Savings bank, for \$20,000. Mr. Gibson
 also purchased the personal property
 and outstanding accounts.

The company is capitalized at \$175,
 000, with additional bonds of \$40,000.
 It began business in July, 1905, and
 has been operated by the receiver since
 January 8, 1907.

NOTES AND COMMENT
ON THE LEGISLATURE

Thus far not an automobile bill,
 measure to abolish capital punishment,
 nor woman suffrage bill has put in an
 appearance.

There are now 1,916 automobiles reg-
 istered in Vermont. A suggestion is
 made that a tax, in addition to the
 registration fee, be levied on each ma-
 chine to be put into the roads of the
 state. It is believed that the owners
 of machines would not object to a tax
 of this kind if the state will do its
 share toward roads. Good roads bring
 summer visitors and summer visitors
 bring money into the state and this is
 beginning to dawn upon the people of
 the state. In a recent New Hampshire
 report it is stated that in the large
 summer resorts where it was possible
 to keep track of the summer visitors
 that 80 per cent of the visitors came
 in automobiles.

The House and Senate are engaged
 in a little war over adjournment. A
 few days ago the House voted 155 to
 71 to come back next Monday as usual
 in spite of election Tuesday because
 it could see oceans of work before it.
 Nothing was heard from the Senate
 until Thursday when a joint resolution
 was adopted on its part by a large
 majority in favor of adjournment to-
 day until next Wednesday morning.
 When this resolution came into the
 House the House stood by its guns and
 a second time voted in favor of work
 Monday by substantially the same bal-
 lot, in actual figures 71 to 137. This
 came after Speaker Cheney had again
 taken the floor and urged upon the mem-
 bers to do their duty. The Senate was
 annoyed and the various members were
 threatening to kill the House's bill al-
 lowing legislators and employees to vote
 here Tuesday. They found that in 1896
 that but 42 voted out of a population
 of 300 or so at the state House. It is
 not believed however that the Senate
 will kill the bill but will simply go
 home and then come back and catch
 up with the House.

Misses Jennie and Adine Bell of Wal-
 den are guests this week at the home
 of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Shurtleff. They
 were visitors at the State House on
 Thursday.

The bill abolishing the board of agri-
 culture, H. 105, was ordered to its
 third reading on Thursday afternoon.
 It creates the office of commissioner of
 agriculture. The bill was ordered to
 a third reading by a vote of 136 to 53
 after a number had spoken in its favor
 including Mr. Hitchcock of Pittsford,
 Mr. Fletcher of Cavendish and Mr.
 Goodall of Whitehall, the man with a
 long legislative record, who said that
 he favored it because it did away with
 a few commissioners.

The Forestry association of Vermont
 a volunteer association that is working
 for the betterment of the state, held
 its annual meeting in Representatives
 hall last evening. The report of the
 last annual meeting was read by Ernest
 Hitchcock of Pittsford, the secretary,
 and was adopted. The constitution was
 amended so as to make the executive
 committee consist of five instead of
 three members. The officers elected are
 President, Prof. L. R. Jones, Burlington;
 vice-presidents, George Aiken of
 Woodstock, A. M. Fletcher of Cavendish;
 secretary and treasurer, Ernest
 Hitchcock, Pittsford; executive com-
 mittee, Charles H. Greene of White
 River Junction, Joseph A. DeBoer of
 Montpelier, W. J. Van Patten of Bur-
 lington, F. D. Proctor of Proctor, and
 C. C. Fitts of Brattleboro. At the pub-
 lic exercises last evening, an address
 on forestry was delivered by Prof. J. W.
 Tomney of the forestry school at Yale
 university, New Haven, Conn.

Mayor Bigelow of Burlington and R.
 W. McCuen spoke before the House
 committee on railroads last evening on
 the measure which requires that state
 board of railroad commissioners to let
 a contract for the work whenever a
 grade crossing was ordered abolished.
 Instead of having the railroad let the
 contract. They thought the work would
 be done more expeditiously and at lower
 cost. Mayor Bigelow cited an illus-
 tration in his city where a grade cross-
 ing at Lakeside was ordered abolished
 before November 15 and that at present
 not a shovel of dirt has been
 turned in the work, the season being so
 far advanced now that it is probable
 that the work cannot be done this sea-
 son.

FOR EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY.

Public Hearing Before Judiciary Com-
 mittee on Four House Bills.

The House committee on judiciary
 held a public hearing on the bill dealing
 with the liability of employers, in the
 cloak-room at the State House last eve-
 ning. Chairman Fish invited the members
 of the Senate committee to sit with
 them. The following bills were read by
 their authors:

H. 20, read by Mr. Leary of Burling-
 ton.

H. 36, by Mr. Williams of Newport.
 H. 133, by Mr. Howe of St. Johnsbury.
 H. 154, by Mr. Barber of Brattleboro.

Mr. Barber explained that his bill,
 which is the longest of the four, is based
 on the Massachusetts law. Hollister
 Jackson of Barre appeared in behalf of
 the Central Labor Union. Labor, he
 said, asked merely for fair play. The
 measures proposed differed. Already
 there were four different opinions in the
 committee. He asked for a measure
 that would be constitutional and if pos-
 sible include all classes of employers.

In the end such a measure would benefit
 alike employer and employee.

Mr. Boutwell of Stockbridge, the
 hedgehog man, wanted to know how the
 negligence of employers and employed
 compared in cases of record. No one
 seemed to know, but Senator Butler of
 Rutland made a brief statement. He
 said some employers, particularly in the
 state industry, claimed they would be
 put out of business if obliged to warrant
 the acts of their men. On the other
 hand, he did not think a law equitable

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that absolutely bars recovery when the
 slightest negligence is shown.

William Alexander of Barre interro-
 gated the committee as to what the
 intent of the bills was. Mr. Leary told
 the history of H. 20.

George A. Balch, a member of the
 Lunenburg Manufacturing company, a
 small corporation, also the member from
 that town, said he thought the measure
 was directed against the small corpora-
 tions and was class legislation.

J. P. Marr of Barre made a strong
 plea in behalf of a general law creating
 the liability of employers, both corpora-
 te and partnership. He said the present
 law was not a square deal to the work-
 men. He called for redemption of the
 party pledges and intimated that the
 union men of Barre were pretty inde-
 pendent and would not hesitate to vote
 the other ticket if they were trifled
 with.

W. B. C. Stickney of Bethel raised
 some points of law and said the con-
 tributory negligence defense applied in
 all cases, whether it was employer and
 employee or employer and an outsider.
 As for the theory of a co-employee, he
 remembered but one case in over 100 in
 which this theory had constituted a
 successful defense.

J. W. Redmond of Newport, chairman
 of the railroad commission, answered
 several questions and said in his opinion
 the Leary bill is unconstitutional in its
 present form.

F. G. Oswald of Barre, ex-senator,
 called attention to the fact that the bill
 did not provide for maximum and mini-
 mum damages to be scaled according to
 the earning capacity of the employee.
 This ought to be included, in his opinion.

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